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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture; Renewal

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA

ACTION: Advisory Committee on Biotechnology and 21st Century Agriculture Renewal

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture has renewed the Advisory

Committee on Biotechnology and 21<sup>st</sup> Century Agriculture (AC21). The Secretary of

Agriculture has determined that the Committee is necessary and in the public interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be addressed to Michael

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

USDA believes it is important to maintain an intensive and regular dialogue to explore and

understand the broad array of issues related to the expanding dimensions and importance of

agricultural biotechnology. The AC21 has been established to provide information and advice to

the Secretary of Agriculture on issues related to agricultural biotechnology. The purpose of this

Committee is to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on the broad array of issues related to the

expanding dimensions and importance of agricultural biotechnology.

Dated: January 23, 2013.

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